

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY BOARD
TOWN OF BUENA VISTA, COLORADO
April 6, 2010**

Call to Order

The meeting of the Town Beautification Board was called to order at 5:13 P.M by Chairperson Joy Duprey. Those in attendance: Joy Duprey, Jennifer Wright, Jan Lewis, Tami Yinger, Deborah Johnson and Diane Look
A quorum was established.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the March 2, 2010 meeting were approved as amended.

Finances

Joy received the updated Beautification account balance from the Finance Department. The account is in a negative balance of approximately \$31.00. When we receive the \$75.0 from the Eddyline's pumpkin cake sale donation, the account will then have a positive balance of approximately \$43.00.

Old Business

1. Cookie Bake-Off: Only two applicants submitted a registration form. General consensus was that we would cancel the event and place a sign on the door of the Contra Dance to inform the public. In light of the fact that the Contra Dance organizers discontinued their regular snack provisions for the dance due to the cookie contest, Beautification members offered to provide two dozen cookies per member.
2. Garden Club: Joy met with the Garden Club and learned that they will no longer be planting their planters any more. They have asked Beautification to take over the planting of their planters as needed by the business owners where the planters are located. We would do so in the same manner as the Garden Club, we would charge a fee to amend the soil and plant while the business would provide the water and care for their planters through the summer.
3. Ben Franklin Window: Discussion held on how we may effect some kind of decoration at the windows to help enhance the downtown look. Ideas ranged from providing painted back-drops to adding items of historic significance. We also recognized that there will be potential sun damage as an issue with items. However the design is created, a big and bold concept would work best. It was suggested that Arkansas Valley Art Center could run a "call for artists" in her news column asking for pictures of historic buildings and related items that could be painted on a canvas, painted by local artists. . Jan will put in a request with Arkansas Valley Art Center. Jennifer confirmed that the building's owner approved having a window display at least up until the building is sold.
4. East Main Street Furniture: The Town we be installing furniture for approximately four bump outs as well and a drinking fountain.

New Business

1. Flowers: Diane proposed that we create an adopt-a-planter program for \$25 The business or individual would sponsor a planter and we would place a sign in a planter giving credit to the adoptee. Also, Diane will check into whether the \$25 planter fee could be made as a charitable donation to the Town.
2. Planting Schedule: A tentative planting schedule was developed for the first week of June with June 4 to be the planting day: clean out planters, clean up planters, ad soil and nutrients as needed, plant in new flowers, arrange for volunteers to help with clean-up as well as put in plants (to be pre-arranged), planting instructions will be provided to the volunteers, arrange for Public Works to add fertilizer to the water tank, attempt to locate a donor(s) for the fertilizer, determine a location to gather with volunteers for plant day (suggested to be located by the Roastery).

The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 4, 2010, 5:00 PM, Serendipity.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM

Deborah J. Johnson
Secretary

Joy Duprey, Chairperson